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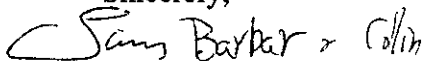
Dear Ms Hanlon:

We are writing to tell you that we are completely opposed to shipping nuclear waste from one site to another. Since we do not know how to safely dispose of nuclear waste let us not compound the problem by moving it through our communities. Of utmost concern to me are Yucca Mountains' geological problems, i.e. its volcanoes, as well as accidents and acts of terrorism interfering with nuclear shipments.

Last May when a freight train derailed in Webster Groves, it was a grim reminder that accidents happen and that our community is not equipped to handle emergency radioactive happenings. I just walked my young son down to look a train passing two blocks from our home. On each car of this very long train in large letters was the word Radioactive. This is like painting a bull's eye on each car for any would be terrorist! Moving the waste through our cities is putting the lives of innocent people at risk.

We will be uniting with out neighbors and others in our state to stop these shipments from passing by our home. As for the future it is clear we need to stop making a waste that cannot be denatured. Please urge the DOE to make alternative sources of energy a priority! The people of Missouri will not sit back quietly and let these shipments pass by week after week. Any help you can offer to protect the citizens who live near the railways used to ship this huge amount of waste will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,



Larry, Barbara, and Collin Bolles